Legislation to control Noxious Emissions from Vehicles

2862. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to enact legislation to control noxious emissions from petrol and diesel driven vehicles plying on the roads; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) The Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 has provision for notifying standards of emissions for automobiles. For enforcement of the standards amendment of the Motor Vehicles Rules by the States is necessary, and some States have already done it.

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STATEMENT BY MINISTER—CORRECTING THE REPLAY GIVEN IN THE RAJYA SABHA ON THE 1ST MARCH, 1988, TO UNSTARRED QUESTON 753, REGARDING REPORT ON VISIT OF KUWAITI NATIONALS TO KERALA

श्री अटल विहारी वाजपेयी (मध्य प्रदेश) : महोदया, मेरा व्यवस्था का प्रश्न है । आप श्री चिदम्बरम् को विवरण सभा-पटल पर रखने के लिए बुला रही हैं, इस विवरण के द्वारा श्री चिदम्बरम् 1 मार्च, 1988 को राज्य सभा में उन्होंने प्रश्न का जो उत्तर दिया था उसमें संशोधन कर रहे हैं । मेरा निवेदन यह है कि वे वक्तव्य सभा-पटल पर नहीं रखना चाहते हैं, लेकिन अगर वे इस वक्तव्य को सदन में पढ़ें तो सदस्यों को स्पष्टीकरण पूछने का अवसर मिल सकेगा । दूसरी बात मैं यह कहना चाहता हूं कि सिर्फ इसलिए मेरी बात को अस्वीकार नहीं किया जाना चाहिए कि 1 मार्च को जो प्रश्न पूछा गया था वह अनस्टार्ड था और यह संयोग की बात थी कि वह अतारांकित हो गया, लेकिन अब मंत्री महोदय जो संशोधन करना चाहते हैं वह बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है । उस पर सदन में चर्चा का मौका मिलना चाहिए । तीसरी बात जो मैं कहना चाहता हूं वह और भी गम्भीर है । मंत्री महोदय अपने उत्तर में संशोधन कर सकते है, लेकिन केरल सरकार के एडीशनल सेक्रेटरी ने जो रिपोर्ट भेजी है उस में संशोधन नहीं कर सकते । आज अपने संशोधन के द्वारा मंत्री महोदय यही करने जा रहे हैं । 1 मार्च को जो जवाब दिया गया था उसके दो हिस्से थे... **(व्यवधान)**

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: This is another way of putting the supplementary.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA (Andhra Pradesh): This is very important.

श्री अटल बिहारी बाजपेयी : 1 मार्च को मंत्री महोदय ने जो जवाब दिया उसके दो हिस्से थे । एक हिस्से में उनका अपना जवाब था । दूसरे हिस्से में उन्होंने कहा कि केरल सरकार ने जो कमेटी बनाई है ... **(व्यवधान)** ।

उपसभापति : आप इसकी मेरिट में मत जाइये ।

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : मंत्री महोदय उस रिपोर्ट में संशोधन कर रहे हैं... **(व्यवधान)**

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: He cannot do it.

श्री अटल बिहारी बाजपेयी : वे उस रिपोर्ट में संशोधन कैसे कर सकते हैं ? मेरा कहना यह है कि सदन को पूरी रिपोर्ट की जानकारी होनी चाहिए ।

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF

STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): Madam, Deputy Chairman, I will explain. I owe an explanation to the hon. Members. Madam about the answer which was given on the 1st of March, as hon. Member correctly pointed out, there were four parts to the question. Part be was "if so, what are the conclusions of the report" to which I said, "a summary of the report is attached." The summary had earlier been placed in Parliament as soon as it came from the Kerala Government. In summarising the report, the office made a mistake in paragraph 8, line no. 11. That mistake has since been pointed out. We are correcting that mistake. We are not hiding anything. The report given by the Kerala Government is available with us. While preparing the summary in Delhi, a mistake has taken place. I am willing to show both the... (*Interruptions*) ..I am not changing the report. In preparing the summary, a mistake has occurred. I am willing to show it at any time to anyone. Hon. Member Mr. Vajpayee is free to come to the Home Minister's room. We will show him everything. There is nothing we have done which is wrong. I only want to say that in the summary which we submitted, there is an error in one word. We are correcting that error and I would request that I may be permitted to lay this statement on the Table of the Rajya Sabha... (*Interruptions*).

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE: Madam, let the copy of the full report be placed on the Table of the House and number two, the House, should be given an opportunity to discuss the entire matter.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH (West Bengal) Madam, I am on a point of order. Madam Deputy Chairman, when this reply to the unstarred question was given, thereafter a notice was given to have a half-an-hour discussion on this question. But suddenly it is found that without granting that notice for half-an-hour discussion, the Minister has been allowed to rectify his statement. So, Madam, I would make a point here that the full report on which the Minister is saying that in summarising there was a mistake, should be laid on the Table. Let us see whether at all it was a mistake in summarising or in fact it was going to modify the whole report. Let the whole report be placed on the Table of the House and let there be a half-an-hour discussion on this issue. (*Interrutpions*)

SHRI K. MOHANAN (Kerala): This is an issue of national importance. There should be a full-fledged discussion. (*Interruptions*)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have listened to you. Please now listen to me. According to the rules, when a correction is made to the unstarred question, the correction is laid on the Table of the House and for information you cannot ask for any supplementary. That is the procedure. An announcement has been made in February 1987. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI K. MOHANAN: There was a demand for a discussion on this.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: That has bee permitted by the Chairman. It was asked for and it was not permitted. Now, the Minister can lay it on the Table of the House.

SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM: Madam, I may be permitted to lay on the Table of the House the statement correcting the answer to part (b) of Unstared Question No. 753 replied to on 1-3-1988.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Papers to be laid on the Table.

SHRI M A. BABY (Kerala): Madam, will you assure us that you will consider the question of allowing a half-an-hour discussion?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: It was asked for and it was not permitted. Please try to understand.

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : महोदया, मेरा निवेदन है कि आप करेक्शन देखियेगा . . .

श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी (मध्य-प्रदेश) : आप करेक्शन देखिये . .

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : सारी गड़बड़ी की लीपापोती की जा रही है।

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Even if you want a half-an-hour discussion you have to give a notice. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI K. MOHANAN: It was given.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: That has not been permitted. If you want you can give another notice. Here I cannot permit.

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: In view of the fact that the original answer has been corrected . . (*Interruptions*)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am on my legs. Please sit down. That also you can point out to the Chairman and then he can consider. Here, I cannot allow any discussion on this. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI N. E. BALARAM (Kerala): Why can't he give the full report? Why a summer? (*Interruptions*)

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Order, please. Shri M. M. Jacob.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Report and Accounts (for the year ended the 30th June, 1987) of the National Handloom Development Corporation Limited, Lucknow and related papers.

II. Report and Accounts (1986-87) of the Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts, New Delhi and related papers.

III. Reports and Audited Accounts (1982-83 to 1985-86) of the Carpet Export Promotion Council, NOIDA and related papers.

IV. Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the Report and Accounts (1986-87) of the North Eastern Handicrafts and Handloan Development, Corporation, Shillong.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): Madam, on behalf of SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA I beg to lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:—

(i) Fourth Annual Report and Accounts of the National Handloom Development Corporation Limited, Lucknow, for the year ended the 30th June, 1987, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(ii) Review by Government on the working of the Corporation.

[Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-5789/88 for (i) and (ii)].

II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts, New Delhi, for the year 1986-87, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the Council.

[Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-5676/88 for (a) and (b)].

(ii) (a) Annual Reports and Audited Accounts of the Carpet Export Promotion Council, NOIDA, for the year 1982-83 and 1983-84.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the Council.